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270 Eligibility Request and 271 Eligibility
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	§3.2 File		The FTP Batch 271 Response is only available in X12 format.
	Naming	The FTP Batch 271 Response	It is named as follows:
	Conventions	is only available in X12	
	(FTP Batches),	format. It is named as follows:	XXD271-pppppp-yymmdd-nnnnnnnn.TXT
	p. 14		• XX is the Sate – AZ
		YYMMDD.999999999.271	D is for Daily
			<ul> <li>pppppp is the 6-digit AHCCCS Provider ID</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>YYMMDD is the</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>yymmdd is the process date</li> </ul>
		process date.	• nnnnnnnn is the ISA13 from the 270 file
		• 999999999 is a	824 Application
		sequential number	XXD.ppppppp.yymmdd.nnnnnnnn.997
		• 271 is the transaction	• XX is the Sate – AZ
		ID	D is for Daily
			• pppppp is the 6-digit AHCCCS Provider ID
			<ul> <li>yymmdd is the process date</li> </ul>
			• nnnnnnnn is the ISA13 from the 270 file
			997 Acknowledgment
			XXD.ppppppp.yymmdd.nnnnnnnn.997
			• XX is the Sate – AZ
			D is for Daily
			<ul> <li>pppppp is the 6-digit AHCCCS Provider ID</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>yymmdd is the process date</li> </ul>
			• nnnnnnnn is the ISA13 from the 270 file
			TA1 Acknowledgment
			XXD.ppppppp.yymmdd.nnnnnnnn.TA1
			• XX is the Sate – AZ
			D is for Daily
			• pppppp is the 6-digit AHCCCS Provider ID
			yymmdd is the process date
			• nnnnnnnn is the ISA13 from the 270 file

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2	V1.6 §4.1 General Information, Other Standards, p. 16	<none></none>	Member Search Additionally, AHCCCS will be requesting that Trading Partners include any of the following minimum data sets within a 270 request to perform a member search:  • AHCCCS ID + Member name • AHCCCS ID + DOB • AHCCCS ID + SSN • Member name + DOB • Member name + SSN • DOB + SSN
3	V1.6 §5.3 271 Eligibility Verification Response Transaction Specifications Table, 2110C/LS01, p.	AHCCCS uses the 2120C Loop to identify lock-in provider for locked in recipients (possible when EB01 = "MC") and nursing home providers for recipients who are nursing home resident (possible for all EB04 values except "C1")	A value assigned by the Implementation Guide to identify the beginning of the 2120C Subscriber Benefit Related Entity Name Loop
4	V1.6 §5.3 271 Eligibility Verification Response Transaction Specifications Table, 2120C/NM101, p.	1P=Provider (used for lock-in providers) FA=Facility (used for nursing home residents)	Added: 13=Contracted Service Provider –Drug plan enrollment when Loop 2110C/EB03='88' Pharmacy.  P5=Plan Sponsor – Health plan enrollment when Loop 2110C/EB03='30' Health Benefit Plan Coverage  Removed: 1P=Provider (used for lock-in providers) FA=Facility (used for nursing home residents)

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	§5.3 271 Eligibility	Name, Definition/Format: The name of the	Drug plan description when Loop
	Verification Response	lock-in provider or nursing home	2110C/EB03='88' Pharmacy
	Transaction Specifications		
	Table, 2120C/NM103, p. 46		Health plan description when Loop
			2110C/EB03='30' Health Benefit
			Plan Coverage
			Removed:
			Definition/Format: The name of
			the lock-in provider or nursing
			home

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#### 1. Introduction

#### 1.1 Document Purpose

## Companion Documents

HIPAA Transaction Companion Documents are available to electronic trading partners (health plans, program contractors, providers, third party processors, and billing services) to clarify information on HIPAA-compliant electronic transactions with AHCCCS. The following Companion Documents are available:

- 834 Enrollment and 820 Capitation Transactions
- 270 Eligibility Request and 271 Eligibility Response Transactions
- 837 Claim Transactions
- 835 Electronic FFS Claims Remittance Advice Transaction
- 837 and NCPDP Encounter Transactions
- U277 Unsolicited Encounter Status Transaction

## Document Objective

This Companion Document provides information about the Web-based 270 Eligibility Request and 271 Eligibility Response Transactions that is specific to AHCCCS and AHCCCS trading partners. For these transactions, the document describes the data submitted to AHCCCS by trading partners when they make electronic eligibility requests and the data sent by AHCCCS in response.

#### **Intended Users**

Companion Documents are intended for technical staff of health plans and other entities that are responsible for electronic transaction exchanges.

#### Relationship to HIPAA Implementation Guides

Companion Documents are intended to supplement HIPAA Implementation Guides. Rules for data format, content, and field values can be found in the Implementation Guides. This Companion Document provides specific information on the fields and values required for transactions that are sent to or received from AHCCCS. Operational information involving connectivity requirements, protocols, and electronic interchange procedures is covered in other documents that are available from the AHCCCS Information Services Division (ISD) Customer Support Center.

Companion Documents are intended to supplement rather than replace the standard HIPAA Implementation Guide for each transaction set. Information in these documents is not intended to:

- Modify the definition, data condition, or use of any data element or segment in the standard Implementation Guides.
- Add any additional data elements or segments to the defined data set.
- Utilize any code or data values that are not valid in the standard Implementation Guides.
- Change the meaning or intent of any implementation specifications in the standard Implementation Guides.

#### Disclaimer

This Companion Document is a technical document describing the specific technical and procedural requirements between AHCCCS and its trading partners. It does not supersede either health plan contracts or the specific procedure manuals for various operational processes. If there are conflicts between this document and either the health plan contracts or operational procedure manuals, the contract or procedure manual will prevail.

Substantial effort has been taken to minimize conflicts or errors; however, AHCCCS, the AHCCCS Information Services Division, or its employees will not be liable or responsible for any errors or expenses resulting from the use of information in this document. If you believe there is an error in the document, please notify the AHCCCS Information Services Division immediately.

#### 1.2 Contents of this Companion Document

#### Introduction

Section 1 provides general information on Companion Documents and HIPAA and outlines the information to be included in the remainder of the document.

## Transaction Overview

Section 2 provides an overview of the transactions included in this Companion Document including information on:

- The purpose of the transaction(s)
- The standard Implementation Guide for the transaction(s)
- Replaced and impacted AHCCCS files and processes
- Transmission schedules

#### Technical Infrastructure

Section 3 provides a brief statement of the technical interfaces required for trading partners to communicate with AHCCCS via electronic transactions.

## Transaction Standards

Section 4 provides information relating to the transactions included in this Companion Document including:

- General HIPAA transaction standards
- Information on the syntactical edits that the AHCCCS translator applies to batch 270 Eligibility Request Transaction
- Data interchange conventions applicable to the transactions

## **Transaction Specifications**

Section 5 provides more specific information relating to the transaction included in this Companion Document including:

- A statement of the purpose of transaction specifications for electronic interchanges between AHCCCS and other HIPAA covered entities
- Detailed Specifications that show how AHCCCS expects to receive 270 Eligibility Request Transactions and populate data elements in 271 Eligibility Response Transactions when AHCCCS uses transaction data elements in ways that are not fully described by the HIPAA Implementation Guide.

#### 2. 270/271 Eligibility Verification Transactions

#### 2.1 Transaction Overview

#### Eligibility Verification for AHCCCS Recipients

Like other health care payers, AHCCCS enables authorized trading partners to quickly determine whether patients are eligible for benefits. In the pre-HIPAA environment, eligibility verification was accomplished in the following ways:

- By person-to-person phone calls to the AHCCCS Eligibility Verification Unit
- By phone calls to the automatic Interactive Voice Response (IVR) System
- By dial-up connections to the Eligibility Verification System (EVS) maintained by an AHCCCS contractor
- By swipe card interfaces with the Eligibility Verification System (EVS) maintained by an AHCCCS contractor
- By a Web-based recipient eligibility verification system maintained on the AHCCCS Web Site

These methods of eligibility verification are supplemented by the interactive and batch 270/271 Transactions developed by AHCCCS and described in this Companion Document.

#### **Interactive Web-based Transactions**

The interactive or online versions of the transactions replace the pre-HIPAA, Web-based eligibility verification system with transactions that are data content compliant as defined in the Final Rule for HIPAA Transactions and Code Sets. Interactive Web-based eligibility verification transactions include all HIPAA data elements that are required for the sake of data content. For Requests errors, the interactive Response Transaction responds with the Reject Reasons (but not the codes themselves) specified in the 270/271 HIPAA Implementation Guide.

Interactive 270 Request Transactions are limited to one patient (2100C Subscriber Name Loop) per transaction. There is no limit, however, to the length of the date range for which information can be requested or to the number of Eligibility, Enrollment, Medicare, and TPL segments that can be returned on a 271 Response Transaction. A special feature of interactive

Eligibility Responses is use of the Request From Date as the Begin Date for a period of eligibility or enrollment that actually begins prior to the Request From Date.

#### **Batch Transactions**

Batch 270/271 Transactions are data format as well as data content compliant with HIPAA Transaction and Code Set requirements. Batch eligibility verification submitters submit 270 Transactions with any number of 2000C Subscriber Level Loops, each 2000C Loop containing within it a single 2100C Subscriber Name Loop (and subservient loops) for a separate eligibility inquiry.

AHCCCS will accept multiple batch 270 files per day via the ftp server. On the day after submission of batch requests that pass the translator's syntactical edits, AHCCCS posts to the ftp server a 271 Response Transaction for each 270 Request that each requesting trading partner submitted to it.

Eligibility responses carry identification, demographic, eligibility, enrollment, Medicare, and TPL information about recipients. Responses use HIPAA Reject Reason Codes and related data elements to tell requesters when information is not available (e.g., "Patient not Found"). Each of the patient eligibility requests on a batch 270 Transaction will receive a response on the 271 Transaction returned by AHCCCS.

#### Processes Replaced or Impacted

#### 270/271 Eligibility Request and Response Transactions

Replaced Files

Pre-HIPAA Web-based Request and Response Transactions

Impacted Files

None

#### 2.2 270/271 Recipient Eligibility Request and Response Transactions

#### Standard Implementation Guide

The standard Implementation Guide for the 270/271 Transaction Set is the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Accredited Standards Committee (ASC) X12 Transaction Set Implementation Guide for the Health Care Eligibility Inquiry and Response Transactions and all approved Addenda. Versions of the 270/271 Implementation Guide and Addenda adopted by AHCCCS and other covered entities and used in preparation of this document are:

- ASC X12N 270/271 (004010X092)
- ASC X12N 270/271 (004010X092A1) (Addenda)

#### 270 Eligibility Request Transaction

#### **Interactive 270 Requests**

The interactive or online Web-based eligibility request transaction consists of a basic set of data elements used to identify AHCCCS recipients, plus additional data elements required by HIPAA. Recipient identification data elements serve as search criteria for recipient eligibility information within one of the following sets:

- AHCCCS Recipient ID (set of one)
- Recipient Social Security Number (set of one)
- Recipient Last Name, Recipient First Name, Recipient Date of Birth, and Recipient Gender (set of four)

In addition to a set of one or more search criteria, a Service Begin Date is required. Optionally, a Service End Date can also be submitted. Data returned on 271 Response Transaction falls upon or within the Service Date(s) on the request. For the Name/DOB/Gender criteria set, exact matches are required.

AHCCCS edits reject 270 Requests with invalid data (e.g., an invalid Date of Birth). In the interactive mode, requests can be submitted for only one patient at a time.

#### Batch 270 Requests

In the batch mode, the same recipient search criteria and eligibility date determinations are used on incoming 270 Transactions, but without the one patient per 270 Request limitation necessary for immediate response in the interactive mode. Like interactive Requests, batch 270 Requests can be for any date or date range.

Data elements in the batch 270 Transaction occur within the transaction's format as documented in the 270/271 Implementation Guide. They include control and qualifier data elements that are not needed in the interactive version of the transaction.

The batch transaction is HIPAA compliant in terms of both data format and data content. AHCCCS offers this transaction, without charge, to trading partners that want to submit eligibility requests as HIPAA compliant transactions. Trading partners can also submit HIPAA compliant 270/271 Transactions to the AHCCCS EVS contractor but fees may apply.

#### 271 Eligibility Response Transaction

#### **Interactive 271 Responses**

Like the interactive 270 Request Transaction, the interactive 271 Response is data content but not data format compliant with HIPAA Transaction and Code Set requirements. Data content compliance is what the Final Rule asks of Web-based data interchanges that are considered "person-to-computer" rather than "computer-to-computer" exchanges of data. Since most of the data transmitted on interactive eligibility responses does not require translation, interactive eligibility responses do not differ greatly from the pre-HIPAA environment. The same one-patient-per-request limitation continues to apply.

#### Batch 271 Responses

Batch 271 Eligibility Verification Responses are both data content and data format compliant with HIPAA Transaction and Code Set requirements. Eligibility responses with a 2000C Loop for each patient carry identification, demographic, eligibility, enrollment, Medicare, and TPL information within a requested date or date range or, alternately, a Reject Reason Code and associated data elements that say why a patient eligibility request cannot be processed. Batch responses can be downloaded to the requester's system in a 271 format.

#### Related Transactions

270/271 Eligibility Request and Response Transactions are related to the 276/277 Claims Status Request Transactions Set. AHCCCS will make the 276/277 Transaction Set available in the future in both interactive and batch modes.

## Transmission Schedules

Batch 270 Request Transactions should be posted to the AHCCCS FTP Server by 4:00 PM with corresponding 271 Response Transactions returned by AHCCCS by 8:00 the next morning. If a Request Transaction has syntactical errors, the transaction and all the recipient requests in it, are rejected with a file error message by the AHCCCS translator using either a TA1, 997, 824 transaction.

Batch 271 Response Transactions are retained on the AHCCCS FTP server for 30 days before deletion.

#### 3. Technical Infrastructure and Procedures

#### 3.1 Technical Environment

#### AHCCCS Data Center Communications Requirements

#### Interactive 270/271

Interactive 270 and 271 Eligibility Transactions are performed using the AHCCCS Web Server, AHCCCS Online.

To use the AHCCCS Web site, you must have an active account. Accounts are created by the user and are not assigned by AHCCCS. For more information on how to create an AHCCCS Online user account, visit the AHCCCS Online Web Site (https://azweb.statemedicaid.us/Home.asp).

AHCCCS verifies the supplied provider identification data before proceeding to the account creation process. Web-based encryption software provides additional security.

#### Batch 270/271

Prior to performing any of the EDI transaction sets with AHCCS via the FTP, Trading Partners must first register their entity on the AHCCCS Community Manager validation tool (https://tradingpartnertesting.azahcccs.gov/spokelogon.html).

The registration process will include the completion of a Trading Partner Agreement that includes the acknowledgment of AHCCCS Privacy and Security policies.

The completed forms must be faxed to 602-417-4532. AHCCCS will create an FTP directory for the Trading Partner upon receipt of the completed forms and provide a web link containing instructions on establishing a VPN connection to the assigned FTP directory.

#### Technical Assistance and Help

The AHCCCS Information Services Division (ISD) Customer Support Center provides technical assistance for electronic data communications interfaces. All calls result in Ticket Number assignment and problem tracking. Contact information is:

- **Telephone Number:** (602) 417-4451
- **Hours:** 8:00 AM 5:00 PM Arizona Time, Mondays through Fridays
- Information required for initial call:
  - o Topic of Call (setup, procedures, etc.)
  - o Name of caller
  - o Organization of caller
  - o Telephone number of caller
  - o Nature of problem (connection, receipt status, etc.)
- Information required for follow up call(s):
  - o Ticket Number assigned by the Customer Support Center

#### 3.2 File Naming Conventions

#### File Naming Conventions (FTP Batches)

#### FTP Batch 270 Request

There is no required naming convention for FTP Batch 270 Requests at this time.

#### FTP Batch 271 Responses:

The FTP Batch 271 Response is only available in X12 format. It is named as follows:

XXD271-pppppp-yymmdd-nnnnnnnn.TXT

- XX is the Sate AZ
- D is for Daily
- pppppp is the 6-digit AHCCCS Provider ID
- yymmdd is the process date
- nnnnnnnn is the ISA13 from the 270 file

#### **824 Application Reporting**

XXD.pppppp.yymmdd.nnnnnnnn.824

- XX is the Sate AZ
- D is for Daily
- pppppp is the 6-digit AHCCCS Provider ID
- yymmdd is the process date
- nnnnnnnn is the ISA13 from the 270 file

#### 997 Acknowledgment

XXD.pppppp.yymmdd.nnnnnnnn.997

- XX is the Sate AZ
- D is for Daily
- pppppp is the 6-digit AHCCCS Provider ID
- yymmdd is the process date
- nnnnnnnn is the ISA13 from the 270 file

#### TA1 Acknowledgment

XXD.pppppp.yymmdd.nnnnnnnn.TA1

- XX is the Sate AZ
- D is for Daily
- pppppp is the 6-digit AHCCCS Provider ID
- yymmdd is the process date
- nnnnnnnn is the ISA13 from the 270 file

The file is placed in the submitter's assigned outbound directory.

#### 4. Transaction Standards

#### 4.1 General Information

#### HIPAA Requirements

HIPAA standards are specified in the Implementation Guide for each mandated transaction and modified by authorized Addenda. Currently, the 270/271 Eligibility Request and Response Transaction Set has a draft Addendum (although, for these transactions, it is brief and has little impact). It has been adopted as final and used in AHCCCS requirements for the 270/271 Transaction Set.

#### Size of Transmissions/ Batches

Transmission sizes can be limited based on two factors:

- The number of segments recommended by HIPAA Implementation Guides
- AHCCCS file transfer limitations

On interactive 270/271 Transactions, a request can only be made for one patient at a time. This is the limit recommended by the HIPAA Implementation Guide and adopted by AHCCCS. In the batch mode, the HIPAA Implementation Guide recommends a maximum of ninety-nine requests in any given transaction set, and while AHCCCS will accept a reasonable number of requests above that limit, the number should not exceed 10,000 requests per transaction set whenever possible. AHCCCS reserves the right to not process 270 transaction sets which exceed this number of requests within the set.

#### **Other Standards**

#### Eligibility Request and Response Tracking

In the interactive mode, each eligibility request is for a single individual and is answered by a single immediate response. Tracking of individual patients on requests and responses is not necessary. In the batch mode, however, any number of individual recipients can be included in a single 270 Transaction with response from a single 271.

Individual recipients on batch 271 Responses always appear in the sequence in which they are submitted on 270 Requests. In addition, a submitter created Trace Number (TRN03) for each patient is returned on the 271 Response. The Trace Number facilitates matches between patient level request and response data on 270 and 271 Transactions. Furthermore, the GS06 value of the Functional Group Envelope sent in the Batch 270 Request is used to match to the corresponding 997 acknowledgement and 271 response.

Since some requests for individual recipients may be valid and others not, AHCCCS recommends that batch 270 requesters retain their 270 Requests and compare them with 271 Responses in order to track requests and responses at the recipient level. When a request for an individual recipient cannot be processed, AHCCCS returns an AAA Request Validation Segment with an error code in the 2000C Loop of the 271 Transaction.

#### Member Search

Additionally, AHCCCS will be requesting that Trading Partners include any of the following minimum data sets within a 270 request to perform a member search:

- AHCCCS ID + Member name
- AHCCCS ID + DOB
- AHCCCS ID + SSN
- Member name + DOB
- Member name + SSN
- DOB + SSN

#### **4.2** Testing Procedures

#### Testing Procedures

Unlike Claim and Encounter Transactions that make extensive updates to PMMIS Databases, 270 Transactions are for inquiry only and, as used by AHCCCS, do not change data in PMMIS.

Both the AHCCCS translator and PMMIS identify problems with 270 Eligibility Verification Requests and report them in the following ways, depending on the kind of error:

- With a transmission level error Response Code and File (batch transactions only) – Requesters can correct the problem indicated by the rejection file and, in consultation with AHCCCS, resubmit the transaction.
- With HIPAA compliant Reject Reasons or Codes on 271 Response Transactions (Reject Reason Codes on batch transactions and Reject Reasons on online transactions)

For batch 270/271, AHCCCS requests that Trading Partners perform a minimum of two test transmissions using the Community Manager validation tool.

#### 4.3 Translator Edits for Batch 270 Eligibility Request Transactions

#### Overview of the Translator Edit Process

Edits performed by the AHCCCS translator on batch 270 Eligibility Request Transactions ensure that incoming transactions comply with the standards documented in the transaction's HIPAA Implementation Guide. These syntactical edits are separate from and in addition to edits performed by Web software or by PMMIS as the system responds to interactive or batch eligibility requests. Interactive transactions do not have to pass through the translator because they need be only data content compliant rather than data content <u>and</u> data format compliant to HIPAA Transaction and Code Set standards.

Batch 270 Transactions are edited by the translator and rejected if they have syntactical errors.

The four translator edit types in use by AHCCCS are:

- Integrity Edits
   This kind of edit validates the basic syntactical integrity of the incoming EDI file.
- 2. Implementation Guide-Requirements Edits
  This kind of edit involves requirements imposed by the transaction's
  HIPAA Implementation Guide, including validation of data element
  values specified in the Guide.
- 3. Balancing Edits
  Balancing verification requires that summary-level data be numerically consistent with corresponding detail level data, as defined in the transaction's Implementation Guide.
- Inter-Segment Situation Edits
   Edits to validate inter-segment situations specified in the
   Implementation Guide (e.g., for accident claims, an Accident Date must present).

The list of 997 Data Element Syntax Error Code (AK403) values in Appendix B of every HIPAA X12 Implementation Guide gives a more specific idea of what these testing and edit types mean in practice.

Standards for the translator are based on HIPAA Implementation Guides and are not specific to AHCCCS. Other X12 trading partners can be expected to use the same conventions.

#### 4.4 Batch Data Interchange Conventions

#### Overview of Data Interchange

When receiving batch 270 Transactions and returning 271 Transactions to batch requesters, AHCCCS follows standards developed by the Accredited Standards Committee (ASC) of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). These standards involve Interchange (ISA/IEA) and Functional Group (GS/GE) Segments or "outer envelopes". All 270 and 271 Transactions are enclosed in transmission level ISA/IEA envelopes and, within transmissions, functional group level GS/GE envelopes. The segments and data elements used in outer envelopes are documented in Appendix B1 of Implementation Guides.

Transaction Specifications that specify how individual data elements are populated by AHCCCS on ISA/IEA and GS/GE envelopes are shown in the table beginning on the next page.

Outer envelopes are needed in the batch mode for both the 270 Transaction submitted by trading partners and the 271 Transaction generated by AHCCCS in response. In the interactive mode, they are not necessary. The Control Envelope Specifications in this section cover both 270s and 271s.

The ISA/IEA Interchange Envelope, unlike most ASC X12 data structures, has fixed fields of a fixed length. Blank fields cannot be left out.

#### Translation Specifications Table

Definitions of table columns follow:

#### Loop ID

The Implementation Guide's identifier for a data loop within a transaction. Always "NA" in this situation because segments in outer envelopes have segments and elements but not loops.

#### Segment ID

The Implementation Guide's identifier for a data segment.

#### Element ID

The Implementation Guide's identifier for a data element within a segment.

#### Element Name

A data element name as shown in the Implementation Guide. When the industry name differs from the Data Element Dictionary name, the more descriptive industry name is used.

#### Element Definition/Length

How the data element is defined in the Implementation Guide. For ISA and

IEA Segments only, fields are of fixed lengths and are present whether or not they are populated. For this reason, field lengths are provided in this column after element definitions.

#### Valid Values

The valid data element values in the Implementation Guide that are used by AHCCCS.

#### **Definition/Format**

Definitions of valid values used by AHCCCS and additional information about AHCCCS data element requirements.

Loop Se	oa ID		SA/IEA INTERCHANGE CONTROL ENVELOPE SPECIFICATIONS								
		Element ID	Element Name	Element Definition/Length	Valid Values	Definition/Format					
		ANGE HEA									
NA IS	SA I	SA01	AUTHORIZATION INFORMATION QUALIFIER	Code to identify the type of information in the Authorization Information Element/2 Characters	00	No Authorization Information Present					
NA IS	SA I		AUTHORIZATION INFORMATION	Information used for additional identification or authorization of the interchange sender or the data in the interchange; the type of information is set by the Authorization Information Qualifier/10 characters		Leave field blank – not used by AHCCCS.					
NA IS	SA I		SECURITY INFORMATION QUALIFIER	Code to identify the type of information in the Security Information/2 characters	00	No Security Information present					
NA IS			SECURITY INFORMATION	This field is used for identifying the security information about the interchange sender and the data in the interchange; the type of information is set by the Security Information Qualifier/10 characters		Leave field blank – not used by AHCCCS.					
NA IS			INTERCHANGE ID QUALIFIER	Qualifier to designate the system/method of code structure used to designate the sender or receiver ID element being qualified/2 characters	ZZ	Mutually Defined					
NA IS.	SA I	SA06	INTERCHANGE SENDER ID	Identification code published by the sender for other parties to use as the receiver ID to route data to them; the sender always codes this value in the sender ID element/15 characters		For 270 Request Transaction, the Provider ID assigned by AHCCCS to the trading partner.  For 271 Response Transactions, "AHCCCS" followed by the nine-digit AHCCCS Federal Tax ID number (866004791)					
NA IS	SA I		INTERCHANGE ID QUALIFIER	Qualifier to designate the system/method of code structure used to designate the sender or receiver ID element being qualified/2 characters	ZZ	Mutually Defined					
NA IS.	SA I	SA08	INTERCHANGE RECEIVER ID	Identification code published by the receiver of the data; When sending, it is used by the sender as their sending ID, thus other parties sending to them will use this as a receiving ID to route data to them/15 characters		For 270 Request Transactions, "AHCCCS" followed by the nine-digit AHCCCS Federal Tax ID number (866004791)  For 271 Response Transactions, the Provider ID assigned by AHCCCS to the					
NA IS	SA I	SA09	INTERCHANGE DATE	Date of the interchange/6 characters		trading partner. The Interchange Date in YYMMDD format					
NA IS				Time of the interchange/4 characters		The Interchange Time in HHMM format					

ISA/IE	A/IEA INTERCHANGE CONTROL ENVELOPE SPECIFICATIONS							
Loop ID	Seg ID	Element ID	Element Name	Element Definition/Length	Valid Values	Definition/Format		
NA		ISA11	INTERCHANGE CONTROL STANDARDS IDENTIFIER	Code to identify the agency responsible for the control standard used by the message that is enclosed by the interchange header and trailer/1 character	U	U.S. EDI Community of ASC X12, TDCC, and UCS		
NA		ISA12	INTERCHANGE CONTROL VERSION NUMBER	This version number covers the interchange control segments/5 characters	00401	Draft Standards for Trial Use Approved for Publication by ASC X12 Procedure Review Board through October 1997		
NA	ISA	ISA13	INTERCHANGE CONTROL NUMBER	A control number assigned by the interchange sender/9 characters		The Interchange Control Number. ISA13 must be identical to the control number in associated Interchange Trailer field IEA02.		
NA	ISA	ISA14	ACKNOWLEDGE- MENT REQUESTED	Code sent by the sender to request an Interchange Acknowledgement (TA1)/1 character	0	No Acknowledgement Requested  AHCCCS does not require TA1 Interchange Acknowledgement Segments from its trading partners. If trading partners send them, however, the AHCCCS translator will receive them and notify AHCCCS staff of their receipt.		
NA	ISA	ISA15	USAGE INDICATOR	Code to indicate whether data enclosed is test, production or information/1 character	P or T	Production Data or Test Data		
NA	ISA	ISA16	COMPONENT ELEMENT SEPARATOR	The delimiter value used to separate components of composite data elements/1 character		A "pipe" (the symbol above the backslash on most keyboards) is the value used by AHCCCS for component separation. Segment and element level delimiters are defined by usage in the ISA Segment and do not require separate ISA elements to identify them.		
						Delimiter values, by definition, cannot be used as data, even within free-form messages. The following separator or delimiter values are used by AHCCCS on outgoing transactions:  Segment Delimiter - "~' (tilde – hexadecimal value X"7E")  Element Delimiter - "{" (left rounded bracket – hexadecimal value X"7B")		

ISA/IE	ISA/IEA INTERCHANGE CONTROL ENVELOPE SPECIFICATIONS								
Loop	Seg ID	Element	Element Name	Element Definition/Length	Valid	Definition/Format			
ID		ID			Values				
						Composite Component Delimiter (ISA16) -			
						" " (pipe – hexadecimal value X"7C")			
						These values are used because they are not			
						likely to occur within transaction data.			
IEA IN	TERCH.	ANGE TRA	AILER						
NA	IEA	IEA01	NUMBER OF	A count of the number of functional groups included in		The number of functional groups of			
			INCLUDED	an interchange/5 characters		transactions in the interchange			
			FUNCTIONAL						
			GROUPS						
NA	IEA	IEA02	INTERCHANGE	A control number assigned by the interchange sender/9		A control number identical to the header-			
			CONTROL NUMBER	characters		level Interchange Control Number in ISA13.			

GS/GE	SS/GE FUNCTIONAL GROUP ENVELOPE SPECIFICATIONS										
Loop ID	Seg ID	Element ID	Element Name	Element Definition/Length	Valid Value	Definition/Format	Source				
GS FU	NCTION	NAL GROU	IP HEADER								
NA	GS	GS01	FUNCTIONAL IDENTIFIER CODE	Code identifying a group of application related transaction sets	HS HB	Eligibility, Coverage or Benefit Inquiry (270 Requests). Eligibility Coverage or Benefit Information (271 Responses)	HIPAA Code Set				
			SENDER'S CODE	Code identifying party sending transmission; codes agreed to by trading partners		For 270 Request Transactions, the Provider ID assigned by AHCCCS to the trading partner.  For 271 Response Transactions, "AHCCCS" followed by the ninedigit AHCCCS Federal Tax ID number	Transmission sender				
NA	GS			Codes identifying party receiving transmission. Codes agreed to by trading partners		For 270 Request Transactions, "AHCCCS" followed by the nine-digit AHCCCS Federal Tax ID number  For 271 Response Transactions, the Provider ID assigned by AHCCCS to the trading partner.	Transmission sender				
NA	GS	GS04	DATE	Date expressed as CCYYMMDD		The functional group creation date.	Transmission sender				
NA	GS	GS05	TIME	Time on a 24-hour clock in HHMM format.		The functional group creation time.	Transmission sender				
NA	GS	GS06		Assigned number originated and maintained by the sender		A control number for the functional group of transactions.	Transaction sender				
NA	GS	GS07		Code used in conjunction with Element GS08 to identify the issuer of the standard	Х	Accredited Standards Committee X12	HIPAA Code Set				
NA	GS		VERSION/	Code that identifies the version of the transaction(s) in the functional group			HIPAA Code Set				

GS/GE	GS/GE FUNCTIONAL GROUP ENVELOPE SPECIFICATIONS									
Loop	Seg ID	Element	Element Name	Element Definition/Length	Valid	Definition/Format	Source			
ID		ID			Value					
GE FU	NCTION	NAL GROU	IP TRAILER							
NA	GE	GE01	NUMBER OF	The number of transactions in the functional			Transmission sender			
			TRANSACTION	group ended by this trailer segment						
			SETS INCLUDED							
NA	GE	GE02	GROUP CONTROL	Assigned number originated and maintained by		This number must match the	Transmission sender			
			NUMBER	the sender		control number in GS06.				

## Interchange Flows and Acknowledgments

The following diagram, AHCCCS Interchange Flow for the 270/271 Transaction Set, shows the relationships between AHCCCS and trading partners who submit interactive requests and FTP batch 270 eligibility requests. All interactive requests and responses are submitted and received on the AHCCCS Web server in a real-time mode. Only batch requests and responses, however, require translation and pass through the AHCCCS Translator.

The batch 271 Response Transactions that leave AHCCCS are subject to the same kinds of translator edits as incoming 270 Requests. Transactions from AHCCCS that fail translator edits are corrected prior to transmission.

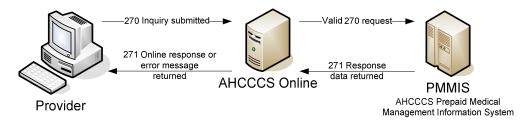
The diagram shows both online or interactive eligibility verification transactions and FTP batch 270/271 transactions with next day turnaround. If the batch 270 transmission (equivalent to a file) is accepted, each individual patient request within it is processed by PMMIS and included in the 271 Response.

Within the batch Response, valid patient requests receive data on requested recipients within requested date periods. Invalid requests receive AAA Request Verification Segments with patient level Reject Reason Codes. These codes and the descriptive Reasons associated with them tell the requester that an AHCCCS recipient cannot be found or that a search field on the 270 is invalid. Receivers of 271 Transactions that include responses to invalid patient requests can use data in Subscriber Trace Number TRN Segments to match requests and to compare 271 Reject Reason Codes with search criteria on 270 requests. Trading partners can then identify and correct the problems, and include the corrected requests on new 270 transmissions.

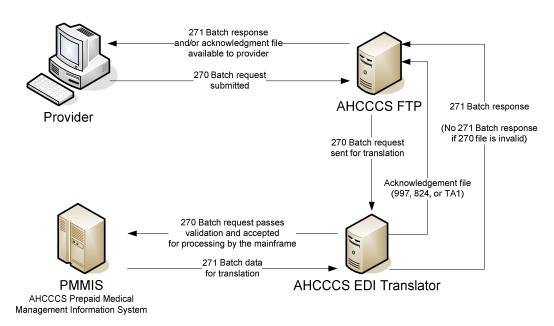
Online responses use HIPAA Reject Reasons rather than the codes themselves on response transactions. The online situation is less complex because responses are immediate and online requests can be submitted for only a single patient at a time. A Subscriber Trace Number is not needed on online Eligibility Requests.

## AHCCCS 270/271 Transaction Set Flow

## Interactive/Web Option (Single requests, Real-time response)



## FTP Option (Multiple requests, Next day response)



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#### 5. Transaction Specifications

#### **5.1** About Transaction Specifications

#### **Purpose**

Transaction Specifications document the data elements and code set values that AHCCCS allows between trading partners and specify the type and format of transaction information. In some cases the values specified are subsets of the data element values listed or referenced in Implementation Guides. In others, they are specific to AHCCCS requirements.

For example, in the Subscriber Number Loop of a transaction in the Implementation Guide, Element NM109 is defined as an alphanumeric identification element that is between 1 and 30 characters long. In the Transaction Specifications, NM109 is defined as the member's AHCCCS ID. The length and format of the field are based on the characteristics of the AHCCCS Recipient ID rather than on the variable field size defined for the transaction by the more generic Implementation Guide.

Specifications for the 270 and the 271 Transactions accommodate both interactive and batch applications. Elements used in the interactive mode are, in most cases, a subset of batch elements. Interactive elements are shaded in the specification matrices for both 270 and 271 Transactions. Online responses with error conditions replace the code set values in AAA Segments with brief descriptions (e.g., Reject Reasons rather than Reject Reason Codes).

#### Relationship to HIPAA Implementation Guides

Transaction Specifications supplement information in the Implementation Guides for each HIPAA Transaction with additional information specific to the trading partners using the transaction.

The information in the Transaction Specifications is not intended to:

- Modify the definition, data condition, or use of any data element or segment in the standard Implementation Guides.
- Add any additional data elements or segments to the defined data set.
- Utilize any code or data values that are not valid in the standard Implementation Guides.
- Change the meaning or intent of any implementation specifications in the standard Implementation Guides.

#### 5.2 270 Eligibility Request Transaction Specifications

#### Overview

The purpose of these Transaction Specifications is to identify and describe the data elements used by requesters of electronic eligibility verification from AHCCCS on 270 Eligibility Request Transactions. Both interactive and batch versions of the transaction are accommodated in the 270 Specifications Matrix. Elements used in interactive transactions are shaded in the matrix.

#### Transaction Specifications Table

270 Eligibility Request Transaction Specifications for individual data elements are shown in the table beginning on the next page. Definitions of table columns follow:

#### Loop ID

The Implementation Guide's identifier for a data loop within a transaction.

#### Segment ID

The Implementation Guide's identifier for a data segment within a loop.

#### Element ID

The Implementation Guide's identifier for a data element within a segment.

#### Element Name

A data element name as shown in the Implementation Guide. When the industry name differs from the Data Element Dictionary name, the more descriptive industry name is used.

#### **Element Definition**

How the data element is defined in the Implementation Guide.

#### Valid Values

The valid data element values in the Implementation Guide that are used by AHCCCS.

#### **Definition/Format**

Definitions of valid values used by AHCCCS and additional information about AHCCCS data element requirements.

270 ELI	GIBILITY	VERIFICA	ATION REQUEST TR	RANSACTION SPECIFICATIONS		Data used in online transactions is shaded.
Loop	Segment	Element	Element Name	Element Definition	Valid	Definition/Format
ID	ĪD	ID			Values	
N/A	ST		Transaction Set Identifier Code	Code uniquely identifying a Transaction Set	270	Eligibility, Coverage or Benefit Inquiry
N/A	ST		Transaction Set Control Number	The unique identification number within a transaction set functional group		An identification number for the 270 transaction that is unique within the transaction's functional group. As implemented by AHCCCS, 270 Transactions must occur within functional groups defined by ASC X12 GS/GE envelopes.  The value in ST02 must be repeated in the SE02 Element at the
N/A	BHT		Hierarchical Structure Code	Code indicating the hierarchical application structure of a transaction	0022	end of the transaction. Information Source, Information Receiver, Subscriber, Dependent
				set that utilizes the HL segment to define the structure of the transaction set		The "0022" values is required in the 270/271 Implementation Guide even when Dependent Segments are not present.
N/A	BHT		Transaction Set Purpose Code	Code identifying purpose of transaction set	13	Request
N/A	BHT		Transaction Set Creation Date	Identifies the date the submitter created the transaction		The date on which the 270 Transaction is created in CCYYMMDD format.
N/A	BHT		Transaction Set Creation Time	Time file is created for transmission		The time at which the transaction is created in HHMMSS format
2000A	HL		Hierarchical ID Number	A unique number assigned by the sender to identify a particular data segment in a hierarchical structure	1	For AHCCCS, the Agency is the sole source of information and this required element is always populated with a value of "1".
2000A	HL		Hierarchical Level Code	Code defining the characteristic of a level in a hierarchical structure	20	Information Source
2000A	HL	HL04	Hierarchical Child Code	Code indicating if there are hierarchical child data segments subordinate to the level being described	1	Additional subordinate HL Data Segment in this hierarchical structure
2100A	NM1		Entity Identifier Code	Code identifying an organizational entity, a physical location, property or an individual	PR	Payer
2100A	NM1		Entity Type Qualifier	Code qualifying the type of entity		Non-Person Entity
2100A	NM1		Information Source Last or Organization Name	The organization name or the last name of an individual who is the source of the information	AHCCCS	The Organization Name of the information source
2100A	NM1		Identification Code Qualifier	Code designating the system/method of code structure used for Identification Code	FI	Federal Taxpayer's Identification Number

270 ELI	GIBILITY '	VERIFIC	ATION REQUEST TR	RANSACTION SPECIFICATIONS	Data used in online transactions is shaded.		
Loop ID	Segment ID	ID		Element Definition	Valid Values	Definition/Format	
2100A	NM1		Information Source Primary Identifier	Identifies the number by which the information source is known to the information receiver	866004791	The AHCCCS Federal Tax ID of the information source	
2000B	ΗL		Hierarchical ID Number	A unique number assigned by the sender to identify a particular data segment in a hierarchical structure	2	The HL Segment within the 2000B Information Receiver Level Loop is always for the second HL Segment in the transaction.	
2000B	HL	HL02	Hierarchical Parent ID Number	Identification number of the next higher hierarchical data segment that the data segment being described is subordinate to	1	The level of the HL Segment to which this HL Segment is subordinate.	
2000B	HL	HL03	Hierarchical Level Code	Code defining the characteristic of a level in a hierarchical structure	21	Information Receiver	
2000B	HL		Hierarchical Child Code	Code indicating if there are hierarchical child data segments subordinate to the level being described	1	Additional subordinate HL Data Segment in this hierarchical structure	
2100B	NM1			Code identifying an organizational entity, a physical location, property or an individual	1P	Provider	
2100B	NM1	NM102	Entity Type Qualifier	Code qualifying the type of entity	2	Non-Person Entity	
2100B	NM1	NM103	Information Receiver Last or Organization Name	The name of the organization or last name of the individual that expects to receive information or is receiving information		The "Organization Name" of the requester within this up to 35-character field even if the requester is an individual.	
2100B	NM1			Code designating the system/method of code structure used for Identification Code	XX XV SV	AHCCCS expects the NPI in NM109 in accordance with the standard HIPAA Implementation Guide. If the Provider has an NPI but does not provide it in NM109, the submission will be rejected during processing.  XX = National Provider ID, Provider  XV = National Provider ID, Payer (If HCFA National PlanID mandated)  SV = Service Provider Number for those who do not qualify for a National Provider ID (only)	
2100B	NM1	NM109	Information Receiver Identification Number	The identification number of the individual or organization who expects to receive information in response to a query		The 10-character National Provider ID of the requestor (or the six-character AHCCCS Provider ID Number of the requestor if requestor does not have an NPI).  See Appendix B – AHCCCS NPI Strategy	

270 ELI	GIBILITY	VERIFICA	ATION REQUEST TR	RANSACTION SPECIFICATIONS		Data used in online transactions is shaded.
Loop	Segment	Element	Element Name	Element Definition	Valid	Definition/Format
ID	ĪD	ID			Values	
2000C	HL		Hierarchical ID Number	A unique number assigned by the sender to identify a particular data segment in a hierarchical structure	3 – nnn	For batch 270 Transactions, with any number of patient eligibility requests, the value of HL01 in Loop 2000C begins with 3 and increases by 1 for each subsequent patient request.
2000C	HL		Number	Identification number of the next higher hierarchical data segment that the data segment being described is subordinate to	2	For AHCCCS, the 2000C Subscriber Loop is always subordinate to the 2000B Information Receiver Loop.
2000C	HL		Hierarchical Level Code	Code defining the characteristic of a level in a hierarchical structure	22	Subscriber
2000C	HL		Hierarchical Child Code	Code indicating if there are hierarchical child data segments	0	No subordinate HL Segment in this hierarchical structure
				subordinate to the level being described		A subordinate segment would be at the dependent level – not used by AHCCCS.
2000C	TRN		Trace Type Code	Code identifying which transaction is being referenced	1	Current Transaction Trace Numbers
2000C	TRN	TRN02	Trace Number	Unique identification for the patient request (2000C Loop)		On batch 270 Requests, a number assigned by the request submitter that is unique within the transaction. This number is returned on the 271 Response Transaction and can be used to link patient level requests and responses.
2000C	TRN		Trace Assigning Entity Identifier	A unique identifier for the submitting entity		The number "1" following by the requester's nine-digit Federal Tax ID.
2100C	NM1		Entity Identifier Code	Code identifying an organizational entity, a physical location, property or an individual	IL	Insured or Subscriber
2100C	NM1		Entity Type Qualifier	Code qualifying the type of entity	1	Person
2100C	NM1			The surname of the insured individual or subscriber to the coverage		The patient's Last Name if Last Name is used as a search criterion.
2100C	NM1	NM104	Subscriber First Name	The first name of the insured individual or subscriber to the coverage		The patient's First Name if First Name is used as a search criterion.
2100C	NM1		ldentification Code Qualifier	Code designating the system/method of code structure used for Identification Code	MI	Member Identification Number  Use this qualifier on batch transactions if the patient's AHCCCS ID is used as a search criterion.
2100C	NM1		Subscriber Primary Identifier	Primary identification number of the subscriber to the coverage		The patient's AHCCCS ID if AHCCCS Recipient ID is used as a search criterion.

270 ELI	GIBILITY	VERIFIC	ATION REQUEST TF	ANSACTION SPECIFICATIONS		Data used in online transactions is shaded.		
	Segment			Element Definition	Valid	Definition/Format		
ID.	ÎD	ID			Values			
2100C	REF	REF01	Reference Identification Qualifier	Code qualifying the reference identification	SY	Social Security Number		
						Use this qualifier on batch transactions if the patient's Social Security Number is used as a search criterion.		
2100C	REF			Identifies another or additional distinguishing code number associated with the subscriber		The patient's Social Security Number if SSN is used as a search criterion.		
2100C	PRV	PRV01	Provider Code	Code indicating the role of the provider in the expected service		Any of the values in the 270/271 Implementation Guide are valid. "SB" (Submitting) is appropriate when the provider who will render the service is the same as the requester. "PE" (Performing) can be used for an individual service provider when the requester is a group entity.		
2100C	PRV	PRV02	Provider Identification Qualifier	Code qualifying the reference identification	9K	Servicer		
2100C	PRV	PRV03	Provider Identifier	The provider's identification number		The service provider's six-character Provider ID Number assigned by AHCCCS.		
2100C	DMG		Date Time Period Format Qualifier	Code indicating the date format, time format, or date and time format	D8	Date expressed in format CCYYMMDD		
2100C	DMG	DMG02		The date of birth of the subscriber to the indicated coverage or policy		The patient's Date of Birth if Date of Birth is used as a search criterion.		
2100C	DMG	DMG03		Code indicating the sex of the subscriber to the indicated coverage or policy	M F	Male Female		
						The patient's Gender if Gender is used as a search criterion		
2100C	DTP	DTP01	Date Time Qualifier	Code specifying the type of date or	307, 435,	307 = Eligibility Date or Date Range		
				time or both date and time	472	435 = Admission Date or Date Range		
						472 = Service Date or Date Range		
2100C	DTP	DTP02	Date Time Period Format Qualifier	Code indicating the date format, time format, or date and time format	D8	Date expressed in format CCYYMMDD		
01000	DTP	DTDOO	·	,	RD8	Range of dates expressed in format CCYYMMDDCCYYMMDD		
2100C	DIP	D1P03		Expression of a date, a time, or a range of dates, times, or dates and		The date or date range for which data is requested.		
				times		For specific information regarding 1 day, RD8 should be used with an end date equal to the begin date.		
						If D8 is used, the supplied date will also be used for both the end date.		
						It is recommended that RD8 be used to ensure that the corresponding eligibility, enrollment and other coverage is returned on the response.		

270 ELI	270 ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION REQUEST TRANSACTION SPECIFICATIONS					Data used in online transactions is shaded.
Loop	Segment	Element	Element Name	Element Definition	Valid	Definition/Format
ID	ID	ID			Values	
N/A	SE		Count	A tally of all segments between the ST and the SE segments including the ST and SE segments		The number of segments in the 270 Transaction, including ST and SE Segments
N/A	SE		Transaction Set Control Number	The unique identification number within a transaction set		The same control number that appears in Element ST02 at the beginning of the transaction

### **5.3 271** Eligibility Response Transaction Specifications

#### Overview

The purpose of these Transaction Specifications is to identify the data elements used in the interactive and batch versions of the AHCCCS 271 Response Transaction. In both versions, the 271 Response has many more data elements than the 270 Request. This is true for two reasons:

- AHCCCS uses the 271 Response Transaction to give requesters eligibility, enrollment, Medicare, and TPL data for AHCCCS recipients.
   These elements do not appear on the 270 Request.
- Request Verification AAA Segments on 271 Transactions tell receivers why their 270 Request Transactions are in error. Additional data elements are needed to accomplish this.

There are also significant data variations between interactive and batch transactions, especially for the 271 Response. Control fields and qualifiers are not needed for data content compliance but are needed for the batch 270 and 271 formats. In addition, batch responses accommodate more data than interactive responses. This factor is shown clearly by the non-shaded elements (i.e., elements used only on batch transactions) in the 271 Eligibility Verification Response Transaction Specifications Matrix.

#### **Error Codes**

HIPAA compliant Reject Reason Codes and messages can appear in AAA Request Validation Segments on 271 Transactions in both interactive and batch modes (See Appendix A for a current list of codes).

In addition to the Reject Reason Codes (AAA02) and messages listed in Appendix A, AAA Request Validation Segments carry Valid Request Indicators (AAA01) and Follow-up Action Codes (AAA03). The Valid Request Indicator will be either "Y" or "N". The "Y" value means that there is nothing wrong with the 270 Request and only occurs in the interactive mode when the Reject Reason Code is "42" (Unable to respond at the current time). An "N" value means that there is something wrong with the transaction. For AHCCCS, the Follow-up Action Code is either "P" (Please resubmit original transaction [for a Reject Reason Code of "42"]) or "C" (Please Correct and Resubmit [for all other Reject Reason Codes]).

#### Transaction Specifications Table

271 Eligibility Verification Response Transaction Specifications for individual data elements are shown in the table beginning on the next page. Definitions of table columns follow:

#### Loop ID

The Implementation Guide's identifier for a data loop within a transaction.

#### Segment ID

The Implementation Guide's identifier for a data segment within a loop.

#### Element ID

The Implementation Guide's identifier for a data element within a segment.

#### Element Name

A data element name as shown in the Implementation Guide. When the industry name differs from the Data Element Dictionary name, the more descriptive industry name is used.

#### **Element Definition**

How the data element is defined in the Implementation Guide.

#### Valid Values

The valid data element values in the Implementation Guide that are used by AHCCCS.

#### Definition/Format

Definitions of valid values used by AHCCCS and additional information about AHCCCS data element requirements.

271 ELI	GIBILITY	VERIFIC	ATION RESPONSE 1	<b>TRANSACTION SPECIFICATIONS</b>	S – Data us	ed in online transactions is shaded.
Loop ID	Segment ID	ID		Element Definition	Valid Values	Definition/Format
N/A	ST			Code uniquely identifying a Transaction Set	271	Eligibility, Coverage or Benefit Information
N/A	ST			The unique identification number within a transaction set's functional group		The Transaction Set Control Number used in the ST02 Element of the 270 Request Transaction to which this 271 Transaction is sent in response.
N/A	BHT	BHT01		Code indicating the hierarchical application structure of a transaction set that utilizes the HL segment to define the structure of the transaction set	0022	Information Source, Information Receiver, Subscriber, Dependent The "0022" values is required in the 270/271 Implementation Guide even when Dependent Segments are not present.
N/A	BHT		Transaction Set Purpose Code	Code identifying purpose of transaction set	11	Response
N/A	BHT			Trace or control number assigned by the originator of the transaction		The Transaction Identification Number submitted on the 270 Transaction.
N/A	BHT	BHT04	Transaction Set Creation Date	Identifies the date the submitter created the transaction		The date on which the 271 Transaction is created in CCYYMMDD format.
N/A	BHT		Transaction Set Creation Time	Time file is created for transmission		The time at which the transaction is created in HHMMSSDD format
2000A	HL		Number	A unique number assigned by the sender to identify a particular data segment in a hierarchical structure	1	The 2000A Information Source Level Loop can occur multiple times, with different sequential values in Element HL01 when information on 271 Response Transactions is from multiple sources. For AHCCCS, the Agency is the sole source of information and this required element is always populated with a value of "1".
2000A	HL		Hierarchical Level Code	Code defining the characteristic of a level in a hierarchical structure	20	Information Source
2000A	HL			Code indicating if there are hierarchical child data segments subordinate to the level being described	1	Additional subordinate HL Data Segment in this hierarchical structure
2000A	AAA	AAA01		Code indicating if the information request or portion of the request is valid or invalid	Y	Yes  Use the AAA Request Validation data if a valid Request Transaction cannot be processed due to a connection problem. Only interactive transactions will be able to generate this data. Batch transaction processes, unlike interactive processes, are always "able to respond" when they are being executed by PMMIS

271 ELI	GIBILITY	VERIFIC	ATION RESPONSE T	TRANSACTION SPECIFICATION	S – Data us	ed in online transactions is shaded.
	Segment		Element Name	Element Definition	Valid	Definition/Format
ID	ID	ID			Values	
2000A	AAA	AAA03	Reject Reason Code	Code assigned by issuer to identify reason for rejection		Data in this AAA Segment appears only on interactive Eligibility Response Transactions.
2000A	AAA	AAA04	Follow-up Action Code	Code identifying follow-up actions allowed	Р	Please Resubmit Original Transaction  Data in this AAA Segment appears only on interactive Eligibility Response Transactions.
2100A	NM1			Code identifying an organizational entity, a physical location, property or an individual	PR	Payer
2100A	NM1		Entity Type Qualifier	Code qualifying the type of entity	2	Non-Person Entity
2100A	NM1		Information Source Last or Organization Name	The organization name or the last name of an individual who is the source of the information	AHCCCS	The Organization Name of the information source
2100A	NM1		Identification Code Qualifier	Code designating the system/method of code structure used for Identification Code	FI	Federal Taxpayer's Identification Number
2100A	NM1		Information Source Primary Identifier	Identifies the number by which the information source is known to the information receiver		The AHCCCS Federal Tax ID
2100A	AAA			Code indicating if the information request or portion of the request is valid or invalid	Y	Yes  Use the AAA Request Validation Segment in Loop 2100A if a valid 270 Transaction cannot be processed due to a connection problem. Only interactive transactions will be able to generate this data. Batch transaction processes, unlike interactive processes, are always "able to respond" when they are being executed by PMMIS
2100A	AAA		Reject Reason Code	Code assigned by issuer to identify reason for rejection	See Appendix A	Data in this AAA Segment appears only on interactive Eligibility Response Transactions.
2100A	AAA	AAA04	Follow-up Action Code	Code identifying follow-up actions allowed	Р	Please Resubmit Original Transaction  Data in this AAA Segment appears only on interactive Eligibility Response Transactions.
2000B	HL	HL01	Hierarchical ID Number	A unique number assigned by the sender to identify a particular data segment in a hierarchical structure	2	The HL Segment within the 2000B Information Receiver Level Loop is always for the second HL Segment in the transaction. AHCCCS does not accept or respond to 270 Transactions from multiple requesters or "information receivers."

271 ELI	GIBILITY	VERIFICA	ATION RESPONSE T	TRANSACTION SPECIFICATION	S – Data us	ed in online transactions is shaded.
Loop	Segment	Element	Element Name	Element Definition	Valid	Definition/Format
ID	ID	ID			Values	
2000B	HL		Number	Identification number of the next higher hierarchical data segment that the data segment being described is subordinate to		The level of the HL Segment to which this HL Segment is subordinate.
2000B	HL		Hierarchical Level Code	Code defining the characteristic of a level in a hierarchical structure	21	Information Receiver
2000B	HL	HL04		Code indicating if there are hierarchical child data segments subordinate to the level being described		Additional subordinate HL Data Segment in this hierarchical structure
2100B	NM1		•	Code identifying an organizational entity, a physical location, property or an individual		Provider
2100B	NM1	NM102	Entity Type Qualifier	Code qualifying the type of entity	2	Non-Person Entity
2100B	NM1		Last or Organization Name	The name of the organization or last name of the individual that expects to receive information or is receiving information		The "Organization Name" of the requester from the 270 Request.
2100B	NM1		Identification Code Qualifier	Code designating the system/method of code structure used for Identification Code	XV SV	XX = National Provider ID, Provider XV = National Provider ID, Payer SV = Service Provider Number for those who do not qualify for a National Provider ID (only)
2100B	NM1		Identification Number	The identification number of the individual or organization who expects to receive information in response to a query		The 10-character National Provider ID of the requestor (or the six-character AHCCCS Provider ID Number of the requestor if requestor does not have an NPI).  See Appendix B – AHCCCS NPI Strategy
2100B	AAA			Code indicating if the information request or portion of the request is valid or invalid		No  If the transaction is rejected due to a data error within the 2100B Loop, AAA01 has a value of "N".
2100B	AAA				Appendix A	
2100B	AAA		·	Code identifying follow-up actions allowed		Please Correct and Resubmit
2000C	HL	HL01	Number	A unique number assigned by the sender to identify a particular data segment in a hierarchical structure		For batch 270 Transaction, with any number of patient eligibility requests, the value of HL01 in Loop 2000C begins with 3 and increases by 1 for each patient request.

271 ELI	GIBILITY '	VERIFICA	ATION RESPONSE 1	TRANSACTION SPECIFICATIONS	S – Data us	ed in online transactions is shaded.
Loop	Segment	Element	Element Name	Element Definition	Valid	Definition/Format
ID	ID	ID			Values	
2000C	HL		Number	Identification number of the next higher hierarchical data segment that the data segment being described is subordinate to		For AHCCCS, the 2000C Subscriber Loop is always subordinate to the 2000B Information Receiver Loop.
2000C	HL		Hierarchical Level Code	Code defining the characteristic of a level in a hierarchical structure		Subscriber
2000C	HL		Hierarchical Child Code	Code indicating if there are hierarchical child data segments subordinate to the level being described		No subordinate HL Segment in this hierarchical structure  A subordinate segment would be at the dependent level – not used by AHCCCS.
2000C	TRN		Trace Type Code	Code identifying which transaction is being referenced	2	Referenced Transaction Trace Numbers
2000C	TRN		Trace Number	Unique identification for the patient request (2000C Loop)		On batch 271 Responses, a number assigned by the request submitter that is unique within the 270 Transaction. This number is returned on the 271 Response Transaction and can be used to link patient level requests and responses.
2000C	TRN		Identifier	A unique identifier for the submitting entity		The number "1" following by the requester's nine-digit Federal Tax ID. Transferred from the Request.
2100C	NM1		Entity Identifier Code	Code identifying an organizational entity, a physical location, property or an individual	IL	Insured or Subscriber
2100C	NM1		Entity Type Qualifier	Code qualifying the type of entity	1	Person
2100C	NM1			The surname of the insured individual or subscriber to the coverage		The recipient's Last Name as it appears on the AHCCCS Database.
2100C	NM1			The first name of the insured individual or subscriber to the coverage		The recipient's First Name as it appears on the AHCCCS Database.
2100C	NM1		Subscriber Middle Name	The middle name of the subscriber to the indicated coverage or policy		The recipients Middle Initial if it appears on the AHCCCS Database.
2100C	NM1		ldentification Code Qualifier	Code designating the system/method of code structure used for Identification Code		Member Identification Number
2100C	NM1		Subscriber Primary Identifier	Primary identification number of the subscriber to the coverage		The recipient's AHCCCS ID

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Loop	Segment	Element	Element Name	Element Definition	Valid	Definition/Format
ID	ID	ID			Values	
2100C	REF	REF01	Reference	Code qualifying the reference	SY	Social Security Number
			Identification Qualifier	identification	NQ	Medicaid Recipient Identification Number
						AHCCCS populates this situational REF Segment in two situations:  When a recipient's SSN is submitted on a 270 Request Transaction and used in a successful search (REF01 = "SY").  When the recipient has a Primary AHCCCS ID that is different from the AHCCCS ID submitted on the 270 Transaction and used in the recipient search (REF01 = "NQ").
2100C	REF		Supplemental Identifier	Identifies another or additional distinguishing code number		The recipient's SSN or Primary AHCCCS ID when appropriate. See above.
2100C	N3	N301		associated with the subscriber  Address line of the current mailing		The first line of the recipient's atract address
21000	NO		Line	address line of the current mailing address of the insured individual or subscriber to the coverage		The first line of the recipient's street address.
2100C	N3		Line	Address line of the current mailing address of the insured individual or subscriber to the coverage		The second line of the recipient street address (if present).
2100C	N4			The City Name of the insured individual or subscriber to the coverage		The recipient's city
2100C	N4	N402		The State Postal Code of the insured individual or subscriber to the coverage		The recipient's State Code
2100C	N4		Zone or ZIP Code	The ZIP Code of the insured individual or subscriber to the coverage		The recipient's Zip Code (can be five or nine digits)
2100C	N4	N405		Code identifying type of location	CY	County
2100C	N4		Code	Code which identifies a specific location		The County Code for the recipient's home address.
2100C	AAA			Code indicating if the information request or portion of the request is valid or invalid	N	No  If the transaction is rejected due to a data error within the 2100C  Loop, AAA01 has a value of "N".
2100C	AAA	AAA03		Code assigned by issuer to identify reason for rejection	See Appendix A	See Appendix A
2100C	AAA	AAA04		Code identifying follow-up actions allowed	С	Please correct and resubmit

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Loop	Segment	Element	Element Name	Element Definition	Valid	Definition/Format
ID	ĪD	ID			Values	
2100C	DMG	DMG01	Date Time Period Format Qualifier	Code indicating the date format, time format, or date and time format	D8	Date expressed in format CCYYMMDD
2100C	DMG	DMG02	Subscriber Birth Date	The date of birth of the subscriber to the indicated coverage or policy		The patient's Date of Birth if Date of Birth from the AHCCCS Database
2100C	DMG	DMG03	Subscriber Gender Code	Code indicating the sex of the subscriber to the indicated coverage or policy	M F	Male Female
01000	DTD	DTD01	Data Tima Ovalifian	Code an asifuing the turns of data or	470	The patient's Gender from the AHCCCS Database
2100C	DTP		Date Time Qualifier	Code specifying the type of date or time or both date and time	472	Service Date or Date Range
2100C	DTP		Date Time Period Format Qualifier	Code indicating the date format, time format, or date and time format	D8	Date expressed in format CCYYMMDD
01000	DTD			The state of the s	RD8	Range of dates expressed in format CCYYMMDDCCYYMMDD
2100C	DTP		Date Time Period	Expression of a date, a time, or a range of dates, times, or dates and times		The date or date range for which recipient data was requested on the 270 Request Transaction.
2110C	ЕВ		Eligibility or Benefit Information	Benefit status of the individual or benefit related category to be further described in the transaction	1 6 B R	The EB Segment and the EB01 Element begin the 2110C Subscriber Eligibility or Benefit Loop. This loop is used by AHCCCS to carry eligibility, health plan enrollment, Medicare, and/or TPL data, depending on the value of EB04 Insurance Type Code. The 2110C Loop can occur any number of times for a recipient.  Active Coverage (AHCCCS eligibility and health plan enrollment - Returned when an DTP03 End Date is not present or is on or after the current date) Inactive (AHCCCS eligibility and health plan enrollment - Returned when an DTP03 End Date is present and is before the current date) Co-Payment Other or Additional Payer (Medicare and TPL – Can have a Begin Date and/or an End Date in DTP03)
2110C	EB		Code	Code indicating which family members are provided coverage for this insured	IND	AHCCCS recipients are always considered individuals rather than dependents of a primary subscriber.
2110C	EB	EB03	Service Type Code	Code identifying the classification of service	30	Health Benefit Plan Coverage
				service	88	Pharmacy Benefit (for Medicare Part D)

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Loop	Segment	Element	Element Name	Element Definition	Valid	Definition/Format
ID	ĪD	ID			Values	
2110C	ЕВ	EB04	Insurance Type Code	Code identifying the type of insurance		This element identifies the kind of eligibility or benefit information that appears in the 2110C Eligibility or Benefit Loop. Although the field is shown as situational in the 270/271 Implementation Guide, it is always populated by AHCCCS. The valid values listed before are used for AHCCCS:
					MC HM MA MB MP C1	Medicaid (the 2110C Loop is for AHCCCS eligibility) HMO (the 2110C Loop is for health plan enrollment) Medicare Part A (the 2110C Loop is for Medicare Part A eligibility) Medicare Part B (the 2110C Loop is for Medicare Part B eligibility) Medicare Part D (the 2110C Loop is for Medicare Part D eligibility) Commercial (the 2110C Loop is for third party coverage)
2110C	EB		Plan Coverage Description	A description or number that identifies the plan or coverage		On Eligibility EB Segments (when EB04 = "MC"), EB05 is the Eligibility Description (X[38]) On Health Plan Enrollment EB Segments (when EB04 = "HM"), EB05 is the Contract Type (X[12]) On Co-Payment Segments (when EB01="B"), EB05 is the Co-payment Description and Indicator (Mandatory or Optional).  This situational element does not appear for other types of EB Segments.
2110C	EB	EB07	Monetary Amount	Benefit Amount		Co-payment Amount expressed in format 0.00
2110C	REF		Identification Qualifier	Code qualifying the reference identification	F6 1L	Health Insurance Claim (HIC) Number (AHCCCS uses this value when EB04 = "MA" or "MB")  Group or Policy Number (AHCCCS uses this value when EB04 = "C1")
2110C	REF		Benefit Identifier	Number associated with the subscriber for the eligibility or benefit being described		For a Medicare EB Segment (EB04 = "MA" or "MB" or "MP"), the Medicare Claim ID Number (X[12]).  For a TPL Segment (EB04 = "C1"), the other carrier's Policy Number (X[15]).
2110C	REF	REF03	Plan Sponsor Name	The name of the entity providing coverage to the subscriber		For a TPL Segment (EB04="C1"), the name of the TPL carrier.

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Loop	Segment	Element	Element Name	Element Definition	Valid	Definition/Format
ID	ĪD	ID			Values	
2110C	DTP	DTP01	Date Time Qualifier	Code specifying the type of date or time or both date and time		The Subscriber Eligibility/Benefit Date DTP Segment in the 2110C Loop is used in the situations described below.
					194 307 292 290 318	Co-Payment Start Date(s) (when EB01= "B") Co-Payment End Date(s) (when EB01 = "B") Eligibility Date(s) (when EB04 = "MC") Benefit Date(s) (when EB04 = "MA" or "MB") Coordination of Benefit (when EB04 = "C1") Added Date (valid for all EB04 values in addition to a DTP Segments with another DTP01 value)
2110C	DTP		Date Time Period Format Qualifier	Code indicating the date format, time format, or date and time format	D8 RD8	Date expressed in format CCYYMMDD  Range of dates expressed in format CCYYMMDDCCYYMMDD  AHCCCS uses one of these values, depending on whether the information is current or historical. The Added Date (when DTP01="318) is always a single date rather than a date range.
2110C	DTP			Date or period associated with the eligibility or benefit being described		The date or date range identified by the above qualifiers.
2110C	AAA	AAA01	Valid Request Indicator	Code indicating if the information request or portion of the request is valid or invalid	N	No  If the transaction is rejected due to a data error within the 2110C  Loop, AAA01 has a value of "N".
2110C	AAA	AAA03	Reject Reason Code	Code assigned by issuer to identify reason for rejection	See Appendix A	See Appendix A
2110C	AAA	AAA04		Code identifying follow-up actions allowed	С	Please correct and resubmit
2110C	MSG	MSG01	Free-form Message Text	A free-form message		On 2110C Loops for health plan enrollments (EB04 = "HM"), the Rate Code (X[4]) and the Rate Code Description (X[30])
2110C	LS	LS01	Loop Identifier Code	The loop ID number given on the transaction set diagram is the value for this data element in segments LS and LE		A value assigned by the Implementation Guide to identify the beginning of the 2120C Subscriber Benefit Related Entity Name Loop
2120C	NM1	NM101	Entity Identifier Code	Code identifying an organizational entity, a physical location, property or an individual		Contracted Service Provider –Drug plan enrollment when Loop 2110C/EB03='88' Pharmacy. Plan Sponsor – Health plan enrollment when Loop 2110C/EB03='30' Health Benefit Plan Coverage

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Loop	Segment	<b>Element</b>	Element Name	Element Definition	Valid	Definition/Format
ID	ID	ID			Values	
2120C	NM1			Code qualifying the type of entity	2	Non-Person Entity
2120C	NM1		Last or Organization Name	Last name or organization name of the benefit related entity associated with an individual subscriber or dependent		Drug plan description when Loop 2110C/EB03='88' Pharmacy Health plan description when Loop 2110C/EB03='30' Health Benefit Plan Coverage
2110C	LE	LE01	·	The loop ID number given on the transaction set diagram is the value for this data element in segments LS and LE	2120	A value assigned by the Implementation Guide to identify the end of the 2120C Subscriber Benefit Related Entity Name Loop
N/A	SE	SE01		A tally of all segments between the ST and the SE segments including the ST and SE segments		The number of segments in the 271 Transaction
N/A	SE	SE02	Transaction Set Control Number	The unique identification number within a transaction set		The same control number that is present in ST02 at the beginning of the transaction

# 6. Appendices

## **Appendix A: HIPAA Compliant Reject Reason Codes**

Code	Meaning
15	Required application data missing (appears when there is missing data on the 270 submitter)
42	Unable to respond at the current time (interactive transactions only)
43	Missing/Invalid Provider Identification (appears when provider submitted his 270 using his AHCCCS Provider ID instead of his NPI number)
51	Provider not on file (appears when the requesting provider is not recognized by AHCCCS)
57	Invalid/Missing Dates of Service (appears when a Date of Service on the 270 Request is invalid)
58	Invalid/Missing Date of Birth (appears when a Date of Birth on the 270 Request is invalid)
65	Invalid/Missing Patient Name (appears when a First Name or Last Name on the 270 Request is invalid or is missing when related search elements [Date of Birth and Gender] are present)
66	Invalid/Missing Patient Gender Code (appears when a Gender Code on the 270 Request is invalid)
67	Patient Not Found (appears when search criteria are present but cannot be used to identify an AHCCCS recipient)

### **Appendix B: AHCCCS NPI Strategy**

Refer to the AHCCCS Website

 $\underline{http://www.azahcccs.gov/HIPAA/Documents/PDFs/NPIDocuments} \ for \ up \ to \ date \ information \ regarding \ the \ AHCCCS \ NPI \ requirements.$